

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

REVISED NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

DOCKET NO. 2009-12-S

APPLICATION OF AQUA SOUTH CAROLINA, INC., FORMERLY BROOKSIDE SEWER DISTRICT, INC. FOR ADJUSTMENTS IN RATES AND CHARGES FOR WASTEWATER SERVICES

Aqua South Carolina, Inc. ("Aqua" or "the Company") has filed an application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") for adjustments in rates and charges for wastewater services. The Application was filed pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-5-240 (Supp.2007) and 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-512.4(Supp. 2007).

The Company's service area includes approximately 400 customers in the Brookside Village Subdivision in Spartanburg, South Carolina. According to the Application, the last wastewater rate increase was more than 12 years ago in February 1996. The Application reveals that during the twelve month test year ending June 30, 2008, the Company lost \$42,456. Further, after adjustments for known and measurable changes, the loss is \$130,728 and the Operating Margin is negative (30.25%). The Company asserts that the current costs outpace revenues and with no funds to pay expenses, the Company continues to borrow funds to pay for daily operations. Thus, the requested funds in the Application are necessary to maintain customers' quality of service.

The Company is requesting a rate increase, which would increase the monthly flat rate currently paid by customers from \$20.50 to \$42.73. Additionally, the tap fee for new connections outside the Brookside Village Subdivision would increase, if approved, from \$400.00 per single family equivalent to \$500.00 per single family equivalent.

A copy of the Company's Application can be obtained from the Commission at the following address: Public Service Commission of South Carolina, Docketing Department, P.O. Drawer 11649, Columbia, South Carolina 29211. Additionally, Aqua's Application is available on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov.

In order for testimony and evidence to be received from all interested parties, a public hearing will be held in the Commission's Hearing Room, Synergy Business Park, 101 Executive Center Dr., Columbia, S.C. on **Thursday, May 28, 2009 at 10:30 a.m.**

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, on or before **March 3, 2009** and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2009-12-S.***

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify, in writing, the Docketing Department at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201 and Scott Elliott, Esquire, 721 Olive Street, Columbia, South

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Carolina 29205 on or before **March 3, 2009**, and indicate the amount of time required for the presentation. *Please refer to Docket No. 2009-12-S.*

Any person who wishes to request a hearing in his or her county of residence should notify on or before March 3, 2009, in writing, the Docketing Department at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, at 1401 Main Street, Suite 900, Columbia, South Carolina 29201 and Scott Elliott, Elliott & Elliott, P.A., 721 Olive Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29205. *Please refer to Docket No. 2009-12-S.*

Any person, who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing date, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department in writing at the address below on or before **March 3, 2009**. *Please refer to Docket No. 2009-12-S.*

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission in Columbia at 803-896-5100.

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